

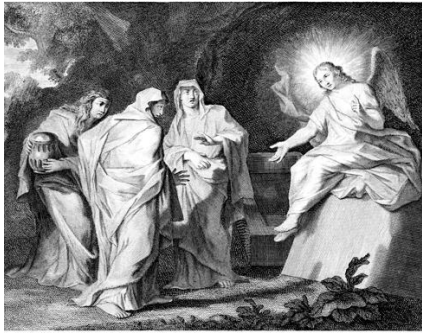


# GRACE ANGLICAN CHURCH

where GOD'S FREE GRACE roots us,  
renews us, and reaches through us.

# EASTER

THE SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION



## A SERVICE OF BAPTISM & COMMUNION

April 5, 2026

## GRACE NOTES – April 5, 2026

**THANK YOU!** So many people must be thanked for helping with our Holy Week services. I want to thank Alayna who put together a million details so that these services went so smoothly. Bethany, thank you for providing amazing and uplifting music that made our week so special. A big thank you to Matt Barber for all the tech-work (which was 10 out of 10) for these events. A massive thanks to Sarah Mitchell who led our choir, and of course, we thank our marvelous choir members themselves, which added such a beautiful dynamic to our vigil and Easter services. Thank you to Andrew Mitchell who organized our brass instruments on Palm and Easter Sundays, and to all those who played in that ensemble. Thanks to Kaitlyn Bennett who organized our vocalists for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Thanks to Elizabeth Blakely who updated our website with a hundred Holy Week details. And thanks to all volunteers – singers, musicians, readers, ushers, communion servers, intercessors, etc. And of course, I want to thank our ordained staff, who gave their all. Grateful to all of you, and for the everlasting Risen One who undergirds, well, everything. -ETHAN

**BELLS** are rung when we sing or say ‘alleluia.’ After today, we’ll put them away until next Easter!

**HOLY BAPTISM.** Today, Matthias Everett, son of Jordan and Anna Everett, will be baptized!

**\*NO CHRISTIAN ED ON PALM SUNDAY OR EASTER SUNDAY.**

**LIVING OUR STORY.** Our class about the Anglican tradition resumes on April 12.

**ZELIENOPE PLANT.** Our Diocese has planted a parish in Zelienville, led by our own Ryan Wise. Find out more about the plant here: [htzelienville.org](http://htzelienville.org)

**PLEASE DON'T PARK on Sunset Ave.** Help our parish's hospitable and public witness but NOT parking on this street. There is a large parking lot a half a block

away (across from Mercer Co Head Start Building, at the corner of Highland and Stockdon Aves).

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

-GAC's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party – Oct 24.

-Ryan Wise's diaconal ordination: June 6.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY.** During the evening service for children ages 3-6. The following Sundays there will be no class: Feb 1, March 8, April 5, May 3, May 24. June 14th being the last class till August.

**MONTHLY MISSIONS.** Kathleen serves in Dublin, Ireland with the organization Serge. Most broadly, her role is to support the local Irish church and her ministries. She is currently engaged in a variety of discipleship ministries to women, young adults, children & youth at her local Anglican church as well as an Alpha course (worldwide curriculum exploring the basics of Christianity with seekers). Kathleen also works in campus ministry with Christian Unions (CU) Ireland.

This spring, please pray for fruit from the Alpha course as Holy Trinity leaders seek to be gracious in hospitality and share delight in the gospel, and also for the CU student leaders whom Kathleen supports. Praise God for the recent increase in membership in CU on campuses across the country. In her words: "There is a real hunger amongst this generation for something more."

**INFANT CARE ROOM.** The library is available as a dedicated space to care for your infants during the service. The livestream is available in this space during evening services.

**NURSERY.** We offer nursery for children (infants to three-year-olds) downstairs.

**THE CASA YOUTH MINISTRY** is on Tuesday nights at 7pm at Holy Trinity.

### **WAYS TO GIVE AT GRACE**

-Offering plate

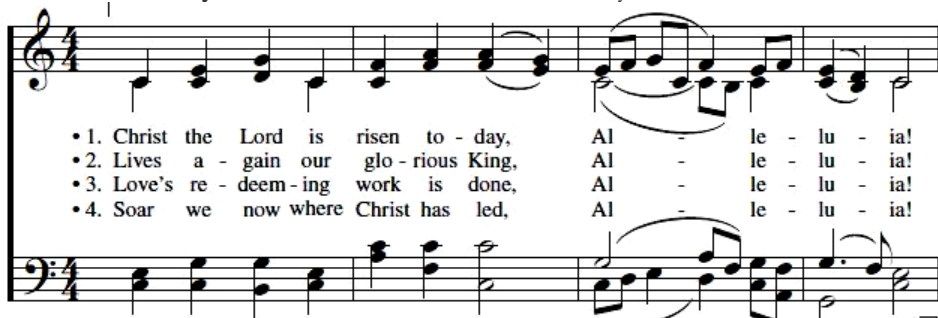
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# Processional Hymn: Christ the Lord is Risen Today

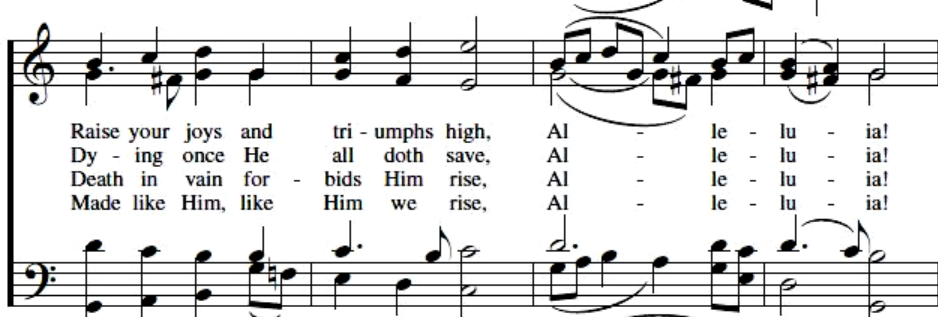
Words: Wesley, 1739, Tune: Easter Hymn



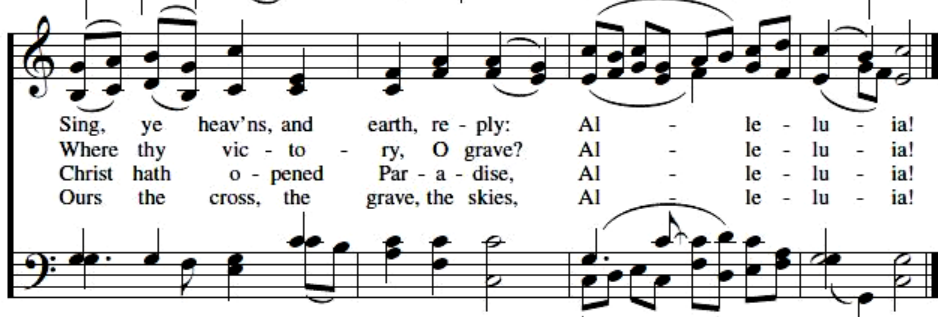
• 1. Christ the Lord is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 • 2. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 • 3. Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 • 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!



Sons of men and an - gels say: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head, Al - le - lu - ia!



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Dy - ing once He all doth save, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Death in vain for - bids Him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Made like Him, like Him we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!



Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ hath o - pened Par - a - dise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!



**Minister.** Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Answer.** The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

**Minister.** There is one Body and one Spirit;  
**People.** There is one hope in God's call to us;  
**Minister.** One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
**People.** One God and Father of all.  
**Minister.** Let us pray.

### The Collect for Easter Sunday

**A**LMIGHTY God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may, by your life-giving Spirit, be delivered from sin and raised from death; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### The Epistle Lesson: Colossians 3:1-4 (ESV)

**Reader.** A reading from Paul's letter to the church in Colossae.

**I**f then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on

earth. <sup>3</sup>For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

**Reader.** The Word of the Lord.

**Answer.** Thanks be to God

### Sequence Hymn: In Christ Alone

Words: Townend & Getty, 2002

Verses 1-2 are sung before the Gospel lesson; verses 3-4 after it.

1. In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song  
This cornerstone, this solid ground; firm thro' the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace when fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My comforter, my all in all; Here in the love of Christ I stand.

2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh; fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness; scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died; the wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live

3. There in the ground His body lay; light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious day; up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory; sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am His and He is mine; Bought with the precious blood of Christ

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death; this is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath; Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man; can ever pluck me from His hand  
'Til He returns or calls me home; here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

**The Gospel Lesson:** Matthew 28:1-10 (ESV)

**Reader.** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**Answer.** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

✝ Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb.<sup>2</sup> And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.<sup>3</sup> His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.<sup>4</sup> And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men.<sup>5</sup> But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified.<sup>6</sup> He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come,

see the place where he lay.<sup>7</sup> Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.”<sup>8</sup> So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.<sup>9</sup> And behold, Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him.<sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.”

**Reader.** The Gospel of the Lord.

**Answer.** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon**

The Rev'd Ethan Magness, Rector

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

**D**EARLY BELOVED, Scripture teaches that we were all dead in our sins and trespasses, but by grace we may be saved through faith. Our Savior Jesus Christ said, “Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God”; and he commissioned the Church to “make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” Here we ask our heavenly Father that MATTHIAS, being baptized with water, may be filled with the Holy Spirit, born again, and received into the Church as a living member of Christ’s body. Therefore, I urge you to call upon God the Father, through our Lord Jesus Christ, that of his abundant mercy he will grant to this Candidate that which by nature he cannot have. The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

**The Sponsors**

We present Matthias Peter Everett to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

*The minister asks the sponsors,*

**T**ODAY on behalf of this child you shall make vows to renounce the devil and all his works, to trust God wholeheartedly, and to serve him faithfully. It is your task to see that he is taught the full meaning of all these vows, and of the Faith that you will profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. He must put his trust in Christ, and learn the Creeds, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and all other things which a Christian ought to know, believe, and do for the welfare of their soul. When he embraces all these things, having become a disciple of Jesus, he is to come to the bishop to be confirmed, that he may be further strengthened by the Holy Spirit to serve Christ and his Kingdom. Are you willing and ready to undertake this?

*Sponsors say, I am, the Lord being my helper.*

**Profession of Faith** *The minister then asks,*

**Question** Do you renounce the Devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

**Answer** I renounce them.

**Question** Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

**Answer** I renounce them.

**Question** Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

**Answer** I renounce them.

**A**Lmighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness and evil, and lead you into the light and obedience of the kingdom of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Question** Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

**Answer** I do.

**Question** Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

**Answer** I do.

**Question** Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life?

**Answer** I will, the Lord being my helper.

*The minister then says to the congregation*

**L**ET us stand and profess our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

**Minister** Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

**People** I do. I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**Minister** Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

**People** I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried: He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**Minister** Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

**People** I do. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### **Prayer for the Candidate**

**A**LMIGHTY and everlasting Father, in your great mercy you saved Noah and his family in the Ark from the destruction of the flood, prefiguring the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Look mercifully upon MATTHIAS, your servant. Wash and sanctify him through your Holy Spirit that he, being delivered from destruction and received into the Ark of Christ's Church, would be made steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in love. May he pass through the turbulent floods of this troublesome world and come into the land of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*The minister pours the baptismal water.*

### **Thanksgiving Over the Water**

**Minister** The Lord be with you.

**People** And with your spirit.

**Minister** Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them up to the Lord.

**Minister** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**W**E thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son

Jesus received the baptism of John in the River Jordan when the Holy Spirit descended upon him as a dove. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we receive the sign of regeneration by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. And now, O Father, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit. We pray that all who are baptized here would be cleansed from sin, born again, and continue for ever faithful in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**



### **The Baptism**

MATTHIAS, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*The sign of the Cross is then made upon the forehead of the newly baptized as this prayer is said,*

RECEIVE the sign of the Cross as a token of your new life in Christ, in which you shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, to fight manfully under his banner against the world, the flesh, and the devil, and to continue as his faithful soldier and servant to the end of your days. **Amen.**

*Minister and people,*

**W**E receive you into the fellowship of the Church. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in the royal priesthood of all his people.

### **Hymn: Baptized in Pools of Grace**

Tune: Festal Song

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| <p>1. Baptized in pools of grace<br/>God's Triune name imparts<br/>A covenant and vow to us<br/>Which stirs-up faith-full hearts</p>              | <p>3. Buried beneath the stream<br/>As Jesus was laid low<br/>And then we rise to life redeemed<br/>As Christ is risen now</p>        |
| <p>2. Washed well in heaven's tide<br/>Made clean beneath the flood<br/>For all sin dies, is drowned and gone<br/>In calv'rys pard'ning blood</p> | <p>4. This Sacrament of life<br/>Reminds our anxious hearts<br/>That life in God begins by grace<br/>And grace shall ne're depart</p> |

## Invitation to Confession

LET us confess our sins unto Almighty God, as we devoutly kneel. Silence.

### General Confession, said by all.

**M**OST merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

### Absolution

**A**LMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### The Comfortable Words

**H**EAR the comfortable words from the Word of God to all who truly turn to him. Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. -MATTHEW 11:28

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. -JOHN 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. -1 TIMOTHY 1:15

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. -1 JOHN 2:1-2

**Minister.** The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People.** And with your spirit.

**Offertory Sentence.** You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. **I Peter 2:9.**

**Choral Anthem:** Up from the Grave He Arose

**Doxology** (tune: lasst uns erfreuen)

## The Sacrament of Holy Communion (the 1662 Order)

**Minister.** The Lord be with you.

**Answer.** And with your spirit.

**Minister.** Lift up your hearts.

**Answer.** We lift them up to the Lord.

**Minister.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Answer.** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

IT is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth;

BUT chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious Resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord: for he is the true Paschal Lamb, which was offered for us, and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life has restored to us everlasting life.

THEREFORE we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

### The Prayer of Humble Access, said by all, kneeling.

WE do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

*The People continue to kneel. The minister stands and continues.*

**A**LL praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again. Hear us, merciful Father, and grant that we receiving these gifts from your creation, this bread and this wine, according to your Son our Savior Jesus Christ's institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood; For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

**AMEN.**

**Invitation to Communion.** All baptized, believing Christians of an understanding age who are admitted to the Sacrament within their own church are encouraged to receive it with us. The New Testament requires some understanding of the Supper, instructing those who commune to 'discern' the Body as well as 'examine themselves' (I Cor. 11) before partaking. It is the historic and consistent Anglican practice for young children to be catechized before receiving the Supper (please contact a minister for catechism resources). Please walk down the middle aisle to receive the bread in open hands and then consume it. Drinking the wine directly from the common cup is the customary manner of receiving it, though the bread may be carefully intincted (dipped) into the wine. Small, individual cups of wine are available in the front for those who have health concerns.

**Intercessory prayer** is available in the back of the church. This takes place during the distribution of Communion. You can come back for prayer for any reason whatsoever. If you want prayer for healing (physical or otherwise), you can also request anointing with oil (a biblical symbol for healing and restoration).

## **Near the Cross**

Words: Crosby, 1869 Tune: Doane

1. Jesus, keep me near the cross, there a precious fountain  
Free to all, a healing stream flows from Calvary's mountain.

**Refrain:** In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever;  
Till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

2. Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me;  
There the bright and morning star sheds its beams around me. **Refrain**

3. Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me;  
Help me walk from day to day with its shadows o'er me. **Refrain**

4. Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever,  
Till I reach the golden strand, just beyond the river. **Refrain**

## What a Beautiful Name It Is

1. You were the Word at the beginning; one with God the Lord Most High  
Your hidden glory in creation now revealed in You our Christ

What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King.  
What a beautiful Name it is, nothing compares to this  
What a beautiful Name it is - the Name of Jesus

2. You didn't want heaven without us, so Jesus, You brought heaven down  
My sin was great, Your love was greater - what could separate us now?

What a wonderful Name it is, what a wonderful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King.  
What a wonderful Name it is, nothing compares to this  
What a wonderful Name it is - the Name of Jesus

### *Bridge.*

Death could not hold You, the veil tore before You  
You silenced the boast of sin and grave  
The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory  
For You are raised to life again  
You have no rival, You have no equal  
Now and forever our God reigns  
Yours is the Kingdom, Yours is the glory, Yours is the Name, above all names (2x)

What a powerful Name it is, what a powerful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a powerful Name it is, nothing can stand against  
What a powerful Name it is - the Name of Jesus

## King of Kings

1. In the darkness we were waiting without hope without light  
Till from heaven You came running there was mercy in Your eyes  
To fulfil the law and prophets to a virgin came the Word  
From a throne of endless glory to a cradle in the dirt

Chorus: Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit three in one;  
God of glory, majesty; praise forever to the King of Kings

2. To reveal the kingdom coming and to reconcile the lost  
To redeem the whole creation you did not despise the cross  
For even in Your suffering you saw to the other side  
Knowing this was our salvation: Jesus for our sake You died (chorus)

3. And the morning that You rose All of heaven held its breath  
Till that stone was moved for good for the Lamb had conquered death  
And the dead rose from their tombs and the angels stood in awe  
For the souls of all who'd come to the Father are restored

4. And the Church of Christ was born when the Spirit lit the flame  
Now this gospel truth of old shall not kneel, shall not faint  
By His blood and in His Name in His freedom I am free  
For the love of Jesus Christ who has resurrected me (chorus)

**The Lord's Prayer**, said by all

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

OUR Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

**Post-Communion Prayer**, said by all

**A**Lmighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out into the world in the power of your Spirit, to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

**The Easter Blessing**

**T**HE God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

## Recessional Hymn: The Day of Resurrection

1. The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;  
2. Our hearts be pure from e - vil, That we may see a - right  
3. Now let the heavens be joy - ful, Let earth the song be - gin,

The Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, The Pass - o - ver of God.  
The Lord in rays e - ter - nal Of res - ur - rec - tion light;  
Let the round world keep tri - umph, And all that is there - in;

From death to life e - ter - nal, From this world to the sky,  
And, lis - tening to His ac - cents, May hear, so calm and plain,  
Let all things seen and un - seen Their notes of glad - ness blend,

Our Christ hath brought us o - ver With hymns of vic - to - ry.  
His own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, May raise the vic - tor strain.  
For Christ the Lord is ris - en, Our joy that hath no end.

Alleluia, Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

## Seven Stanzas at Easter

by John Updike

Make no mistake: if He rose at all  
it was as His body;  
if the cells' dissolution did not reverse, the molecules  
reknit, the amino acids rekindle,  
the Church will fall.

It was not as the flowers,  
each soft Spring recurrent;  
it was not as His Spirit in the mouths and fuddled  
eyes of the eleven apostles;  
it was as His Flesh: ours.

The same hinged thumbs and toes,  
the same valved heart  
that — pierced — died, withered, paused, and then  
regathered out of enduring Might  
new strength to enclose.

Let us not mock God with metaphor,  
analogy, sidestepping, transcendence;  
making of the event a parable, a sign painted in the  
faded credulity of earlier ages:  
let us walk through the door.

The stone is rolled back, not papier-mache,  
not a stone in a story,  
but the vast rock of materiality that in the slow  
grinding of time will eclipse for each of us  
the wide light of day.

And if we will have an angel at the tomb,  
make it a real angel,  
weighty with Max Planck's quanta, vivid with hair,  
opaque in the dawn light, robed in real linen  
spun on a definite loom.

Let us not seek to make it less monstrous,  
for our own convenience, our own sense of beauty,  
lest, awakened in one unthinkable hour, we are  
embarrassed by the miracle,  
and crushed by remonstrance.

# GRACE'S STAFF

**RECTOR.** The Rev'd Ethan Magness is lead-minister at Grace, the principal preacher and teacher, who plans and coordinates worship, leads the staff, offers pastoral care and counsel, marries, buries, etc. (emagness@graceanglicanonline.com)

**DIRECTOR OF FAMILY MINISTRIES.** Mr. Steve Matson creates, oversees, and develops ministries related to children, youth, and their families; and assists with pastoral care. (smatson@graceanglicanonline.com)

**ASSISTANT MINISTER FOR COLLEGE MINISTRY.** The Rev'd Cn. Dr Don Shepson has a part-time role with our college students, leads Bible studies, does pastoral care, preaches, etc. (dshepson@graceanglicanonline.com)

**PARISH ADMINISTRATOR.** Alayna VanKirk serves as our parish administrator, organizing and training volunteers and keeping the parish schedule, prints bulletins, and keeps the parish calendar. (akirk@graceanglicanonline.com)

**CELL GROUP OVERSIGHT.** The Rev'd Chad Lawrence helps to oversee our cell group

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Sarah Potter

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We'd love to meet you at our Welcome Table after the service!